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Intracoastal Waterway – Albemarle Sound to Neuse River

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What are Nautical Charts?

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What is a BookletChart[™]?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

Whenever possible, use the official, full scale NOAA nautical chart for navigation. Nautical chart sales agents are listed on the Internet at http://www.NauticalCharts.NOAA.gov.

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Notice to Mariners Correction Status

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(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)
Albemarle Sound is about 45 miles long in an east-west direction, and in width ranges from 11 miles near its eastern end to 3 miles about 10 miles from the western end. The sound has good navigable depths for any vessel able to pass through the canals and, with its numerous tributaries, forms the approach to many towns and landings. Albemarle Sound Herring
Management Area, a Marine Protected
Area (MPA), includes Albemarle, Currituck,

Roanoke and Croatan Sounds.

There are depths of 10 to 18 feet along the routes from North River and Pasquotank River to Croatan Sound and Alligator River, and less water

farther eastward. Fish stakes and nets, extending long distances from shore are often found on the shoals, especially at the northern entrance to Croatan Sound. The shores of Albemarle Sound are low and generally wooded; there are no prominent natural features.

A naval aircraft bombardment **target area** is on the south side of Albemarle Sound westward of the entrance to Alligator River. (See **334.410**, chapter 2, for limits and regulations.)

The eastern end of Albemarle Sound, which is separated from the Atlantic Ocean by the barrier beach about 15 miles north of Bodie Island Light, is connected northward with Currituck Sound and southward with Croatan and Roanoke Sounds, and by the latter sounds with Pamlico Sound.

Westward of Laurel Point, about 33 miles from the east end of Albemarle Sound, the water is usually fresh or slightly brackish. The rise and fall of the water level depends on the direction of the winds.

Alligator River is on the south side of Albemarle Sound directly opposite Pasquotank River. For about 18 miles above the mouth (see also chart 11548), Alligator River has a southerly direction, is 2 to 3 miles wide, and has general depths of 8 to 11 feet. Above this, the river has a further length of about 24 miles, is narrow and crooked, but, in 1983, had a reported centerline controlling depth of 8 feet to Cherry Ridge Landing; the upper part, however, is too narrow to turn in.

Good anchorages in depths of about 6 to 8 feet are reported in **Milltail Creek**, **Whipping Creek**, and **Swan Creek**, which make into the east side of Alligator River about 10 miles, 19 miles, and 20 miles above its mouth, respectively. Mariners should take care to avoid stumps along the banks. The entrance to Alligator River is full of shoals, but the channel of the Intracoastal Waterway, described in chapter 12, has been dredged through the shoals and along the entire length of the wider part of the river. Numerous fish stakes are reported to exist on the east side of the river extending about 0.5 mile offshore.

On the eastern side of Alligator River and just above the mouth is the entrance to **East Lake** and **South Lake** (see also chart 12204), which in July 1983, had reported depths of 6 feet. The village of **East Lake** is on the east side of Alligator River, 4 miles above the mouth. U.S. Route 64 highway bridge crossing the river at East Lake has a swing span with a clearance of 14 feet. VHF-FM channel 16 and 13 are monitored at the bridge.

Little Alligator River empties into Alligator River from westward just inside the entrance. The narrow, crooked channel of Little Alligator River, in 1983, had a reported controlling depth of 4 feet to the head of the river, 6 miles above the mouth. The river is reported to be a good anchorage for boats drawing 3 feet or less.

Pungo River empties into Pamlico River from northward about 5 miles above the mouth. The channel through the lower 15 miles of the river, part of the Intracoastal Waterway, is well marked by lights and daybeacons. Above the Intracoastal Waterway, the river narrows. In 1983, the reported centerline controlling depth in this section of the river was 5 feet to **Leechville**, a town 18 miles above the mouth. The U.S. Route 264 highway bridge at Leechville has a 30-foot fixed span with a clearance of 7 feet. An overhead power cable on the north side of the bridge has a clearance of about 28 feet. Tributaries to the Pungo River include several navigable creeks. The most important in order of ascension are Wright, Slade, Pungo, Pantego, and Wilkerson, which empty into the northeast end of the river. The route of the Intracoastal Waterway, described in chapter 12, follows Pungo River from Wilkerson Creek to and across Pamlico River.

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BELHAVEN CHANNEL

A controlling depth of 9 feet was reported along the centerline. May 2000

HEIGHTS

Heights in feet above Mean High Water

CAUTION

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TIDAL INFORMATION

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RADAR REFLECTORS

Radar reflectors have been placed on many floating aids to navigation. Individual radar reflector identification on these aids has been omitted from this chart.

HORIZONTAL DATUM

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Motorless craft have the right-of-way in almost all cases. Salling vessels and motorlosts less than sixty-five feet in length shall not hamper, in a narrow channel, the safe passage of a vessel which can navigate only inside that h the complete text Guard publication other at right angles or the right-of-way in most passage of a vessel which can navigate only inside to namorboat being overtaken has the right-of-way.

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POLLUTION REPORTS

Report all spills of oil and hazardous sub-stances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).



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CAUTION

Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117.

Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution. Station positions are shown thus:

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ALLIGATOR RIVER-PUNGO RIVER CANAL

Both sides of the canal are foul with debris, snags, submerged stumps, and continuous bank erosion is caused by passing boats and tows. Corps of Engineers controlling dimensions, published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notices to Mariners, are generally for less than the 90-foot project width; consequently, navigation near mid-channel is recommended unless otherwise specified in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notices to Mariners. Mariners are advised to exercise extreme caution when navigating the canal.

NOTE A



Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S Coast Pilot 4. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are pub-ished in the Notice to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 5th Coast Guard District in Portsmouth, Virginia or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in

Refer to charted regulation section numbers

Numerous fish traps and stakes have been reported in the area of this chart; some may be submerged. Small craft should use caution when operating outside the main channel.

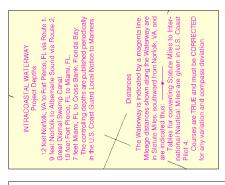
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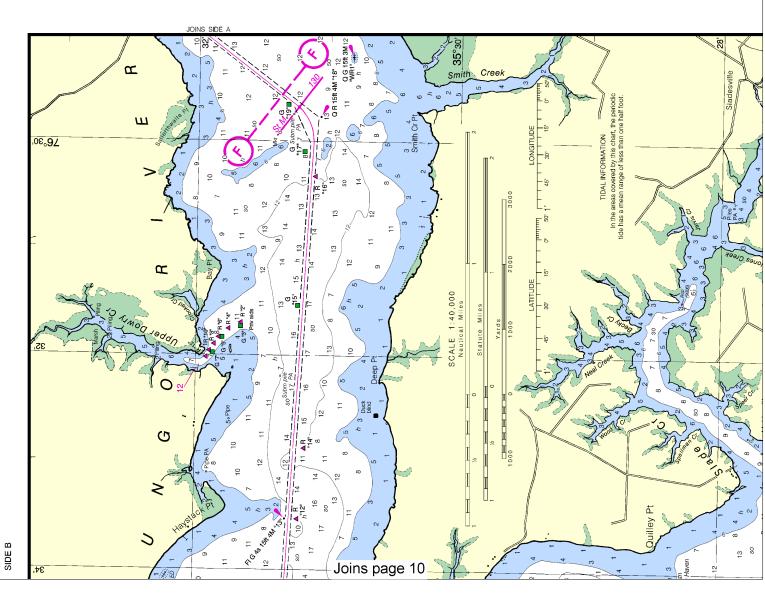


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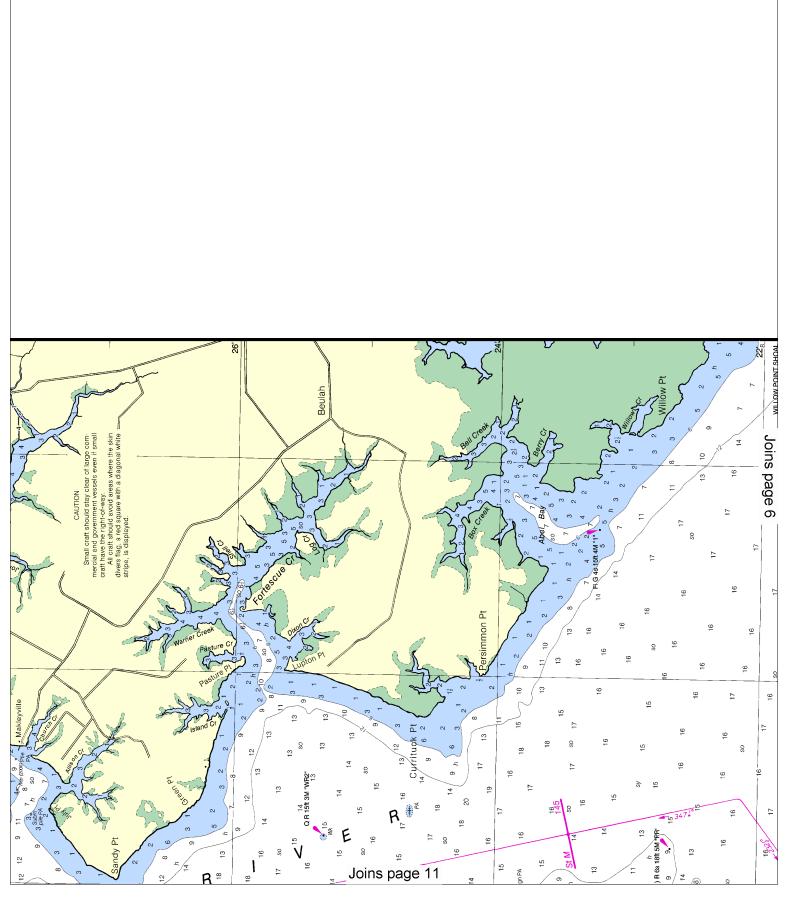
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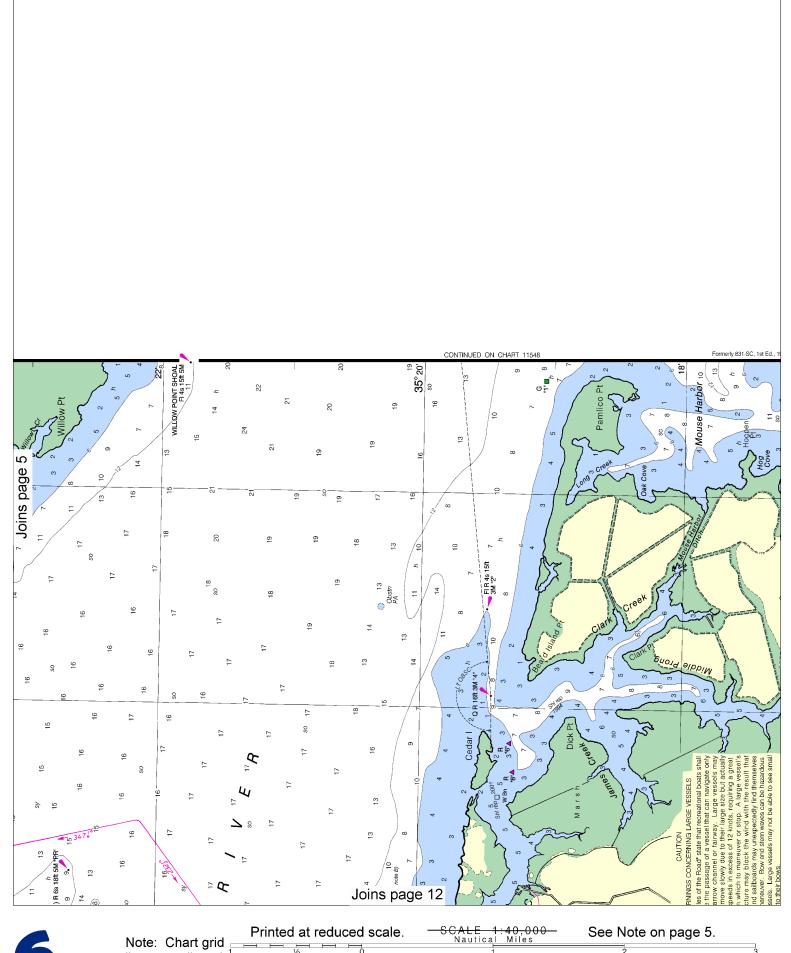
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Note: Chart grid lines are aligned Yards 1000 0 1000 3000 4000 5000 with true north. 2000

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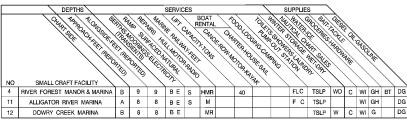
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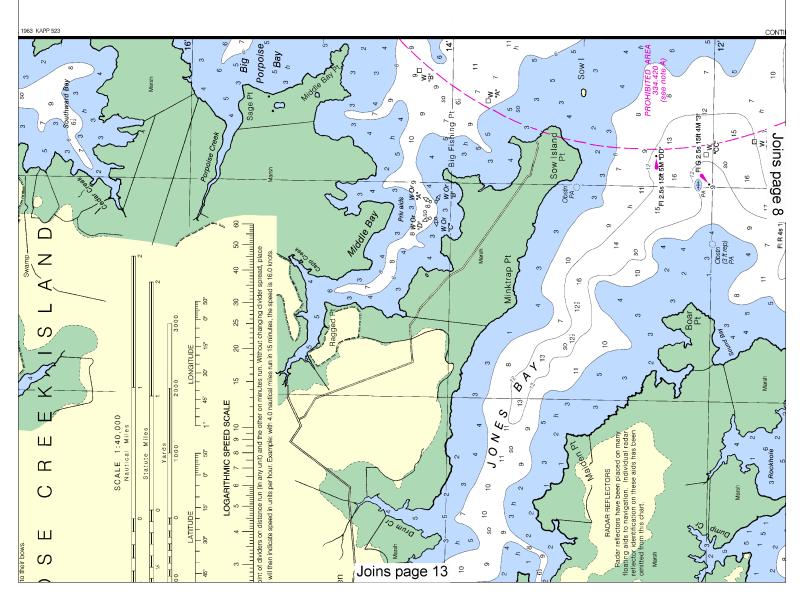
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PUBLIC BOATING INSTRUCTION PROGRAMS The United States Power Squadrons (USPS) and U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary (USCGAUX), national organizations of boatmen, conduct extensive boating instruction programs in communities throughout the United States. For information regarding these educational courses, contact the following sources: USPS - Local Squadron Commander or USPS Headquarters, Post Office Box 30423, Raleigh, N.C. 27612, 919-821-0281. USCGAUX-5th Coast Guard District, Federal Building, 431 Crawford St. Portsmouth, VA 23704-5004, Tel. 804-398-6208 or USCG Headquarters (G-BAU). Washington, D.C. 20593-0001. This nautical chart has been designed to promote safe navigation. The National Ocean Service encourages users to submit corrections, additions, or comments for improving this chart to the Chief, Marine Chart Division (N/CS2), National Ocean Service, NOAA, Silver Spring, Maryland 20910-3282. D C WIGH BT DG WI GH DG C WIG DG AND LEADERS. ANNEL TO THE FACILITY. IG TANKS.

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MARINE WEATHER FORECASTS NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE TELEPHONE NUMBERS OFFICE HOURS Wakefield, VA Newport, NC *(757) 899-4200 24 hours daily *(252) 223-5737 *(910) 762-4289 24 hours daily Wilmington, NC *Recorded 24 hours daily

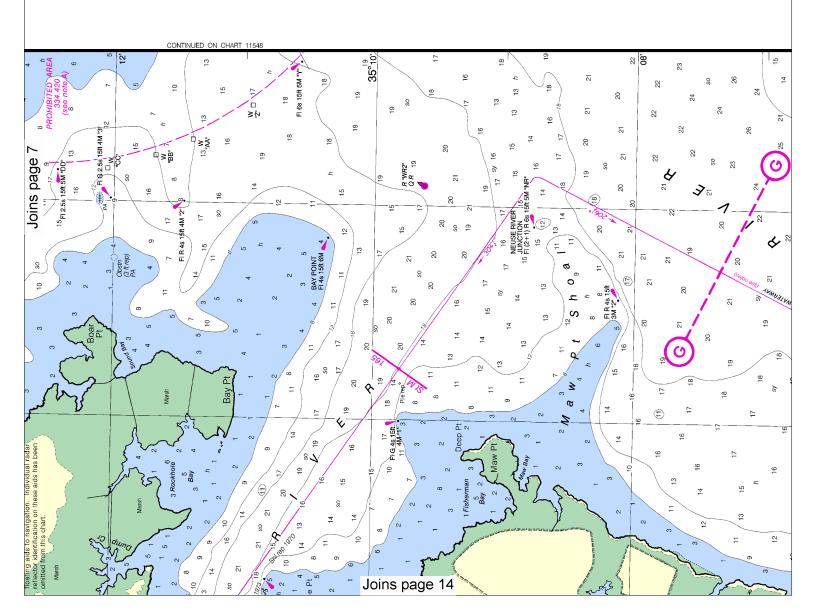
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Hampton Roads, VA	NMN-80 (USCG)	2670 kHz	+ 8:33 AM & 9:03 PM	On receipt			
Cape Hatteras, NC	NMN-13 (USCG)	2670 kHz	+ 8:03 AM & 8:33 PM	On receipt			
Ft Macon, NC	NMN-37 (USCG)	2670 kHz	7:40 AM & 8:03 PM	*On receipt			
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BBREVIATIONS (For complete list of Symbols and Abbreviations, see Chart No. 1.)
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Co coral

G gravel Grs grass

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ORTH CAROLINA ALBEMARLE SOUND TO NEUSE RIVER

HEIGHTS Heights in feet above Mean High Water

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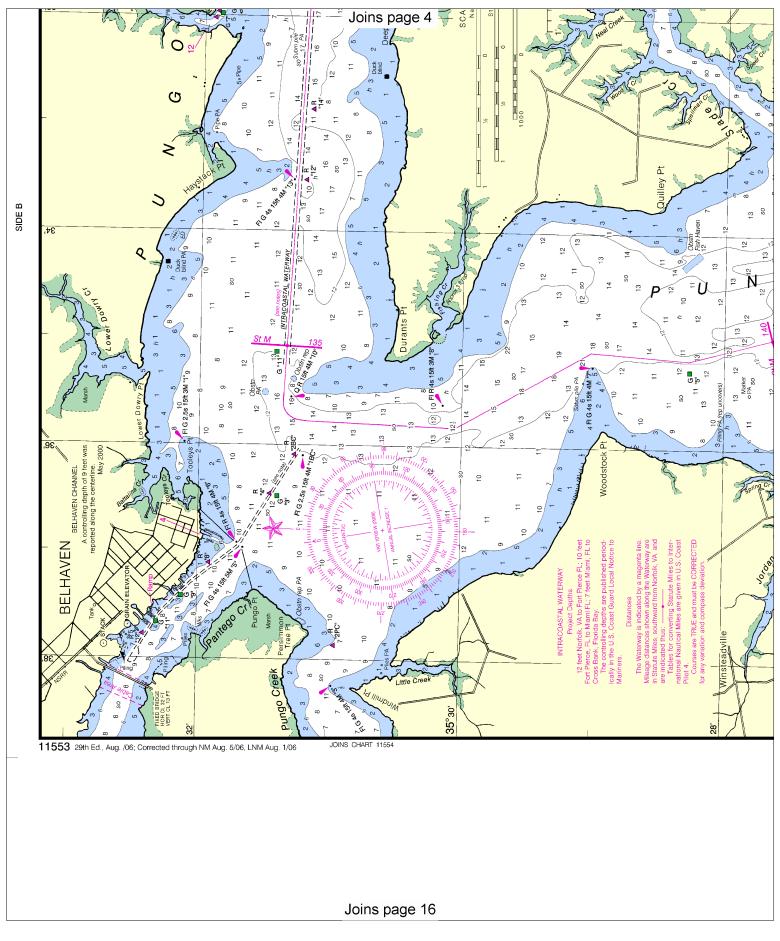
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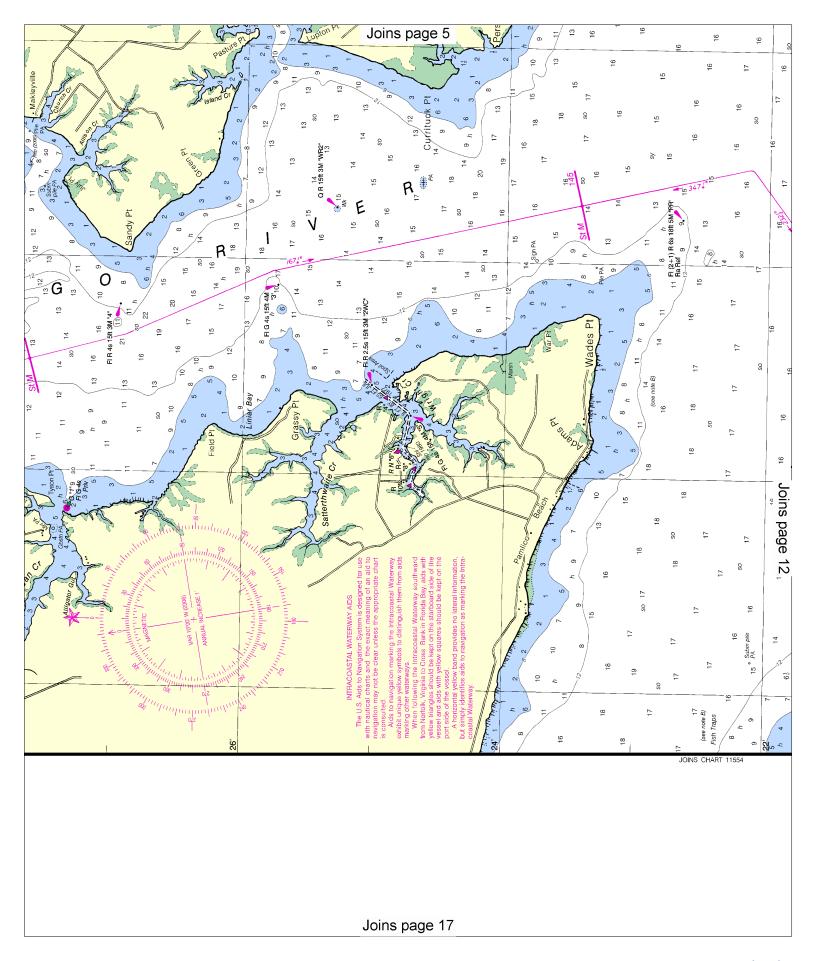
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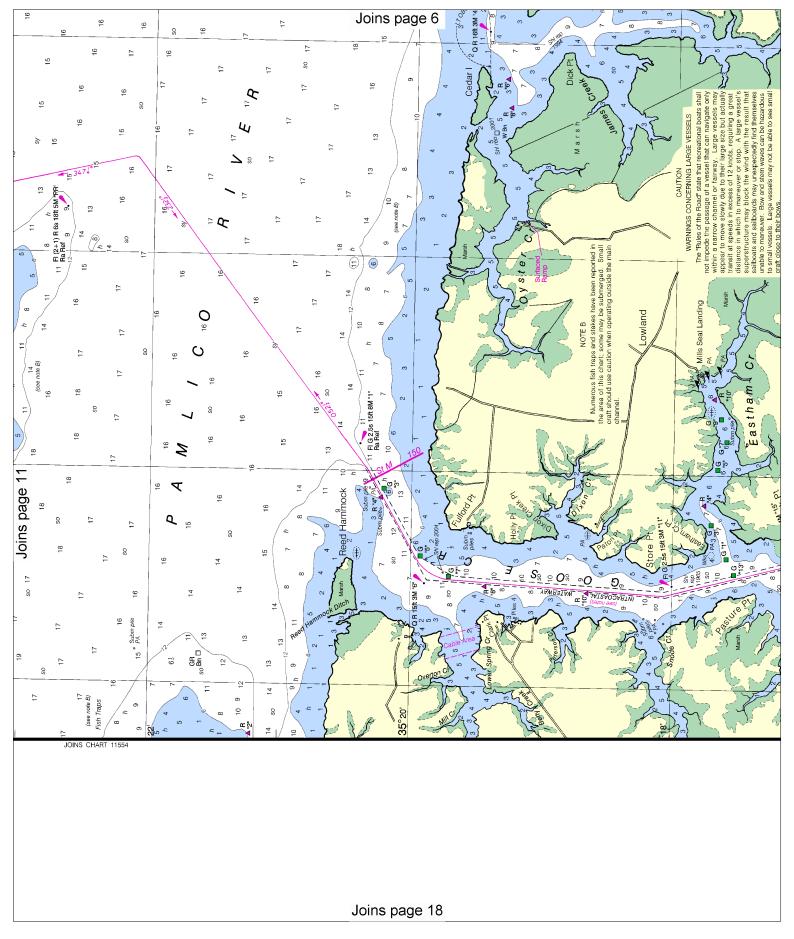
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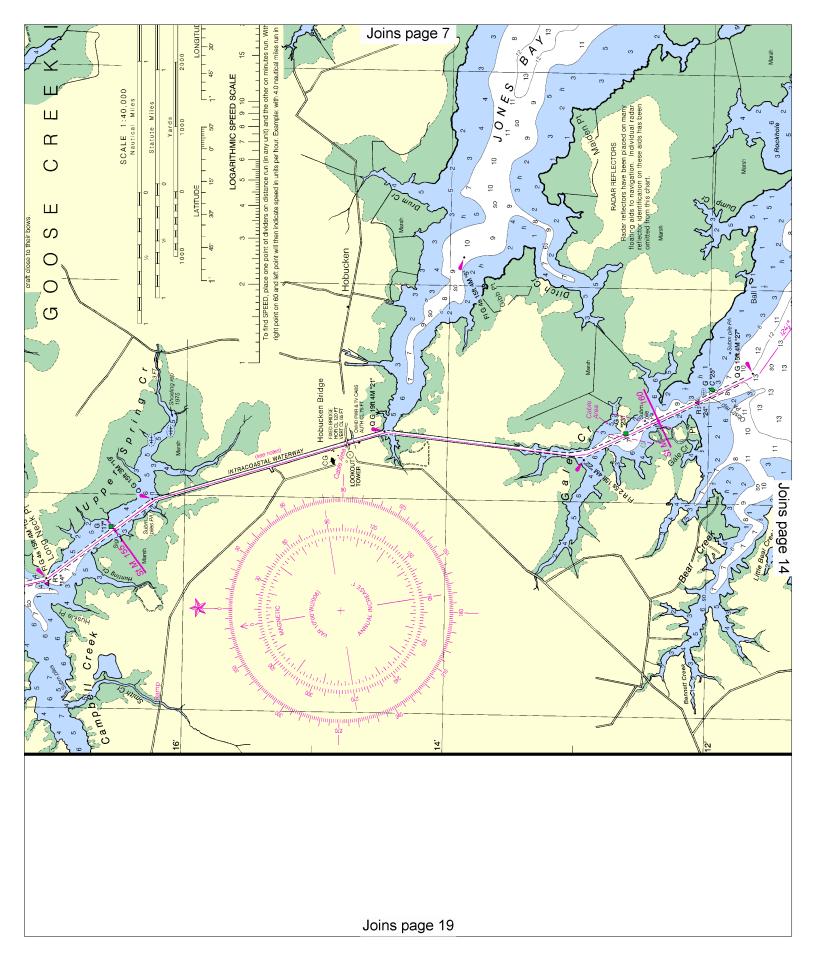
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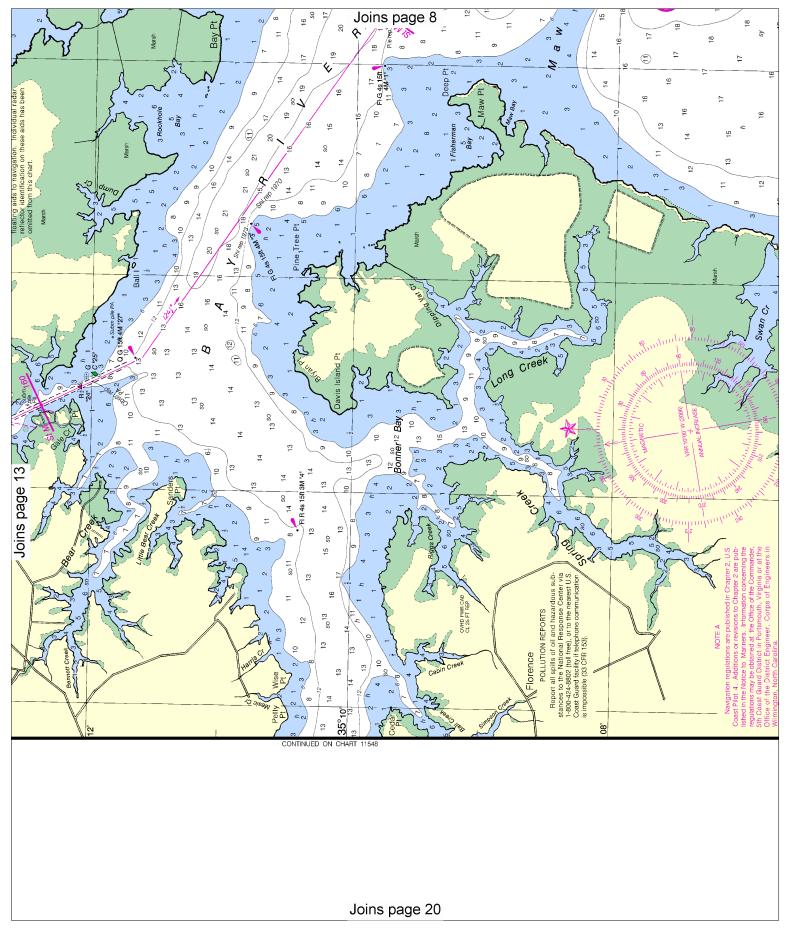
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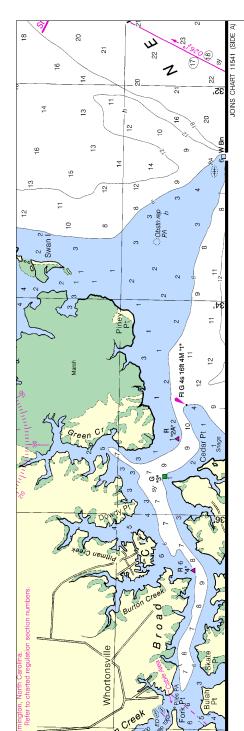












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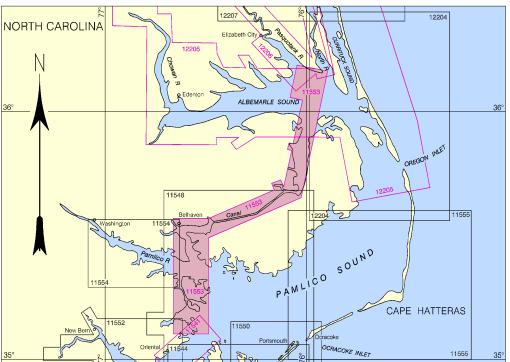
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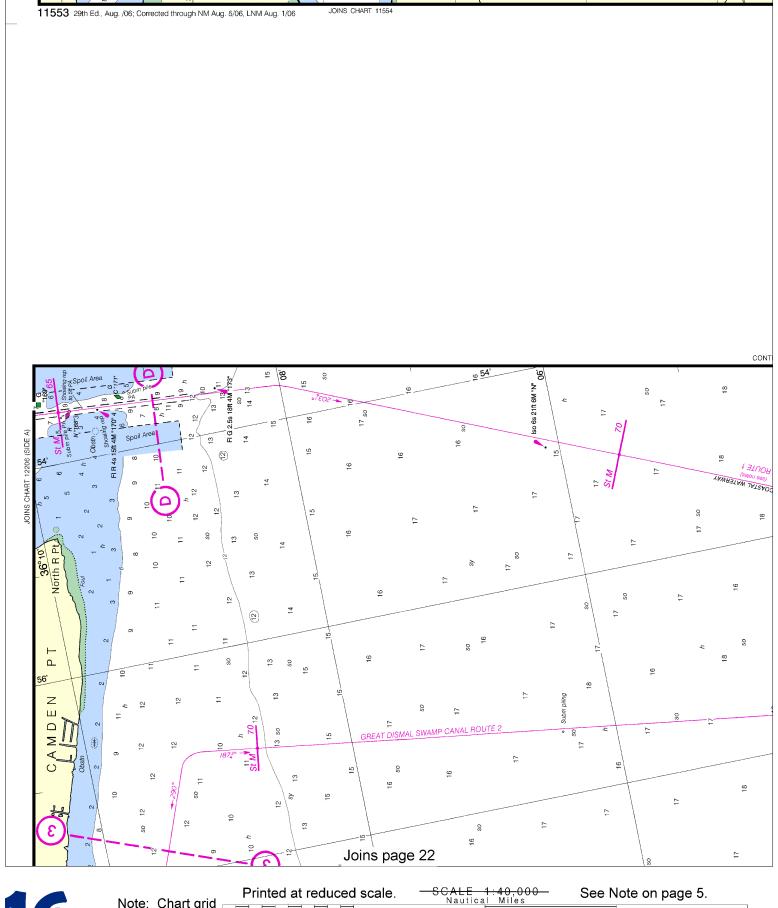




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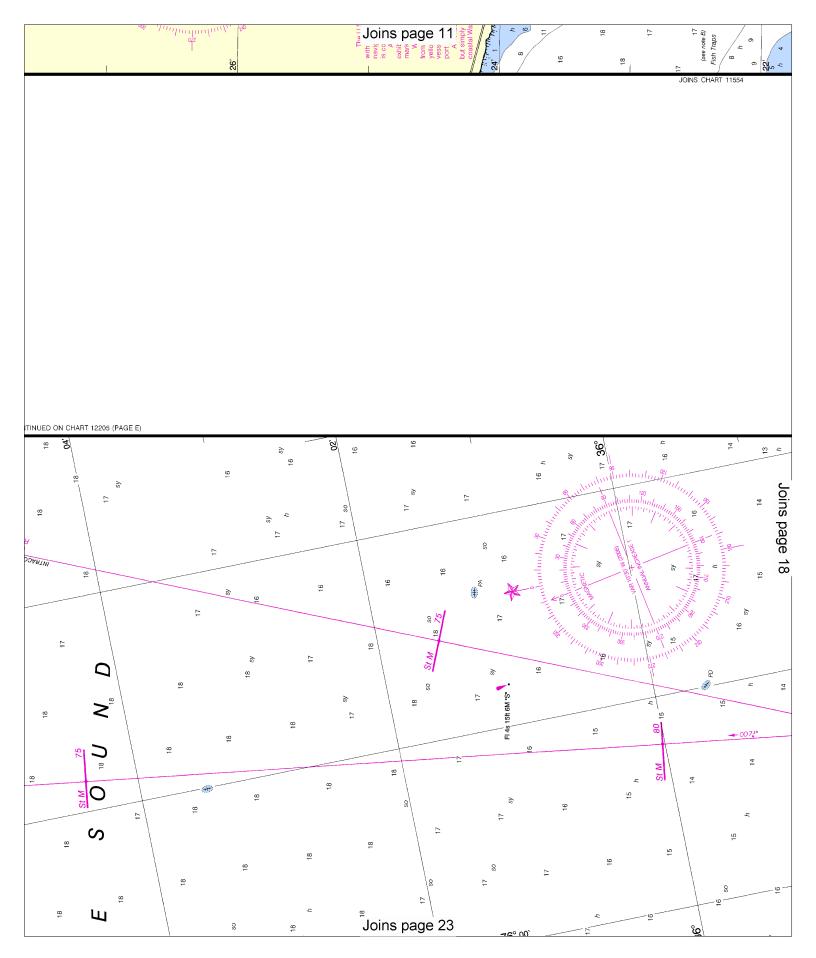


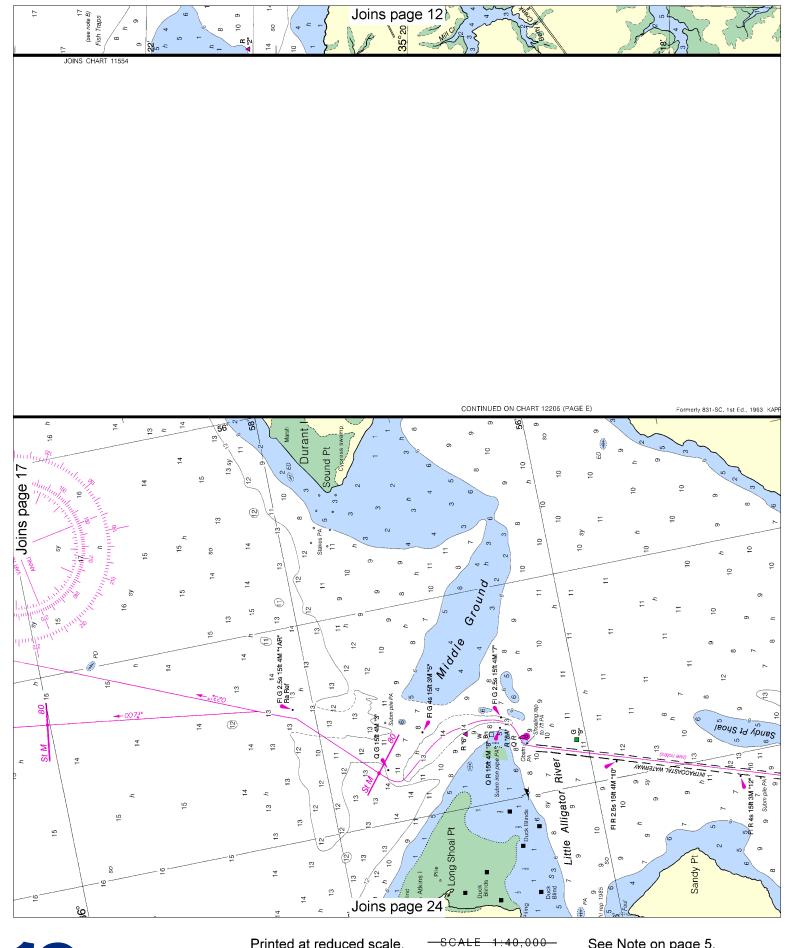
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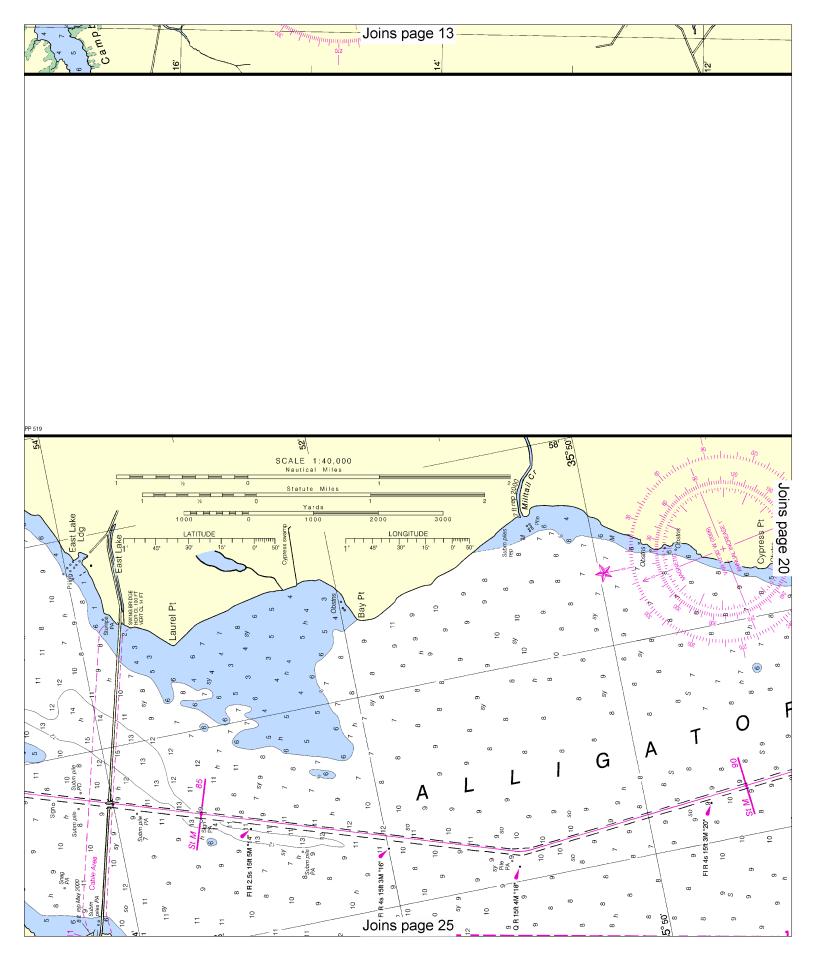


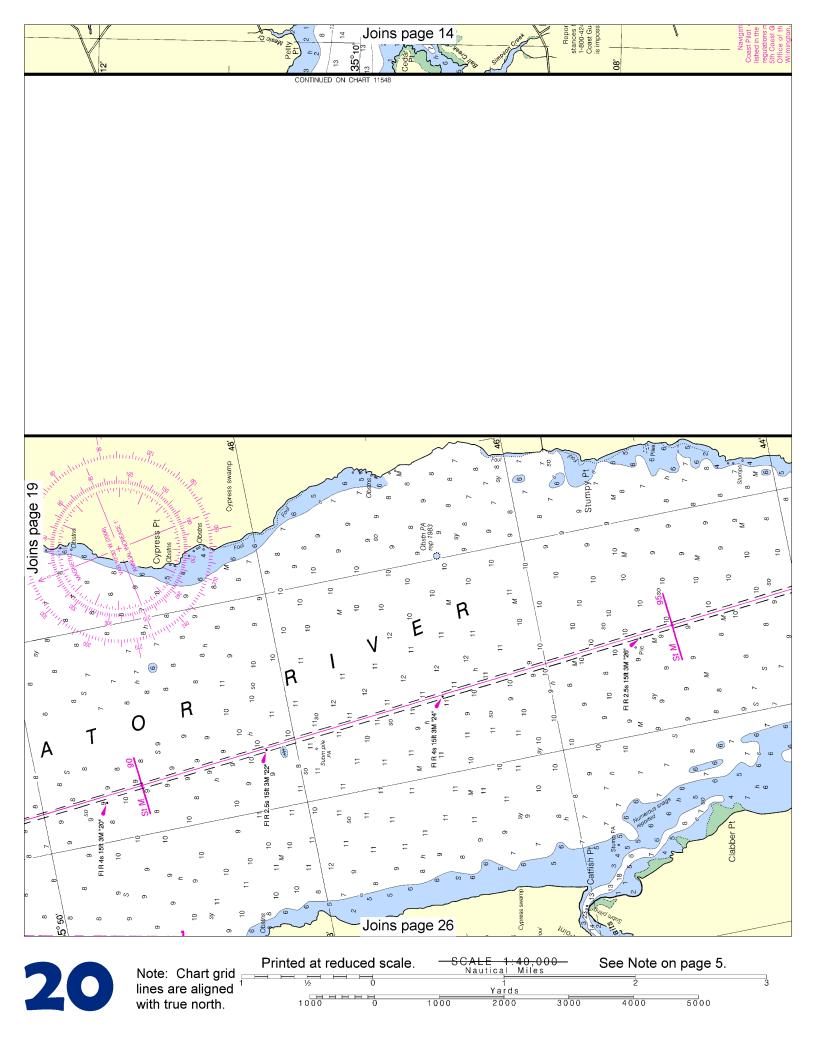
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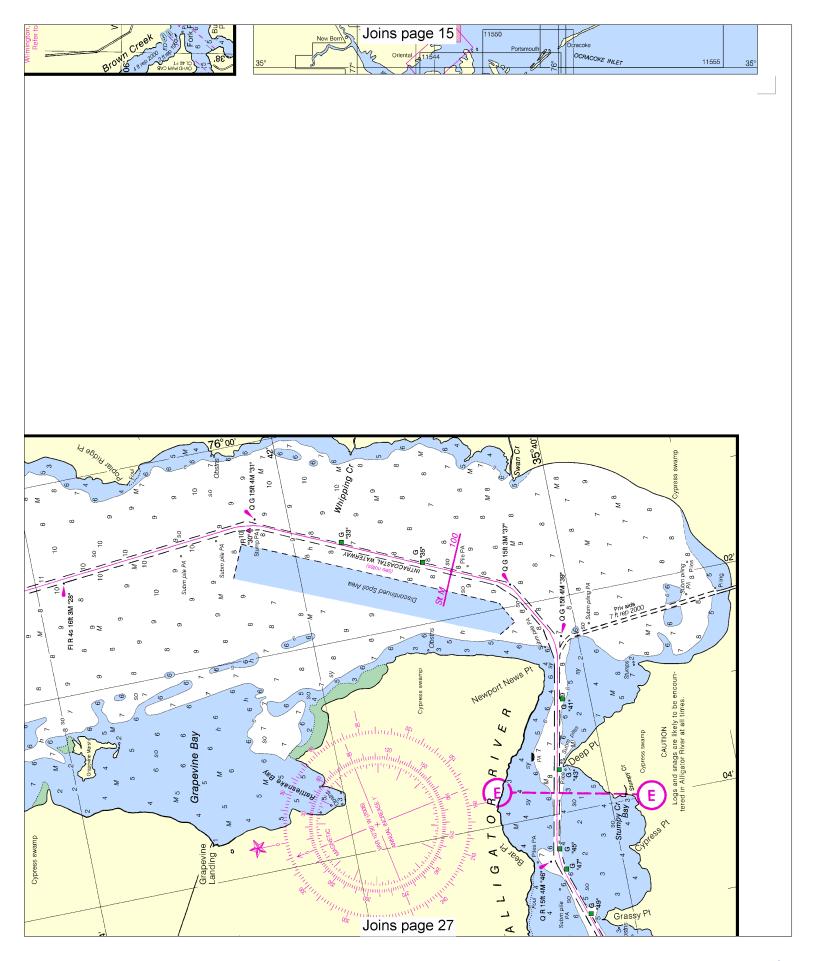
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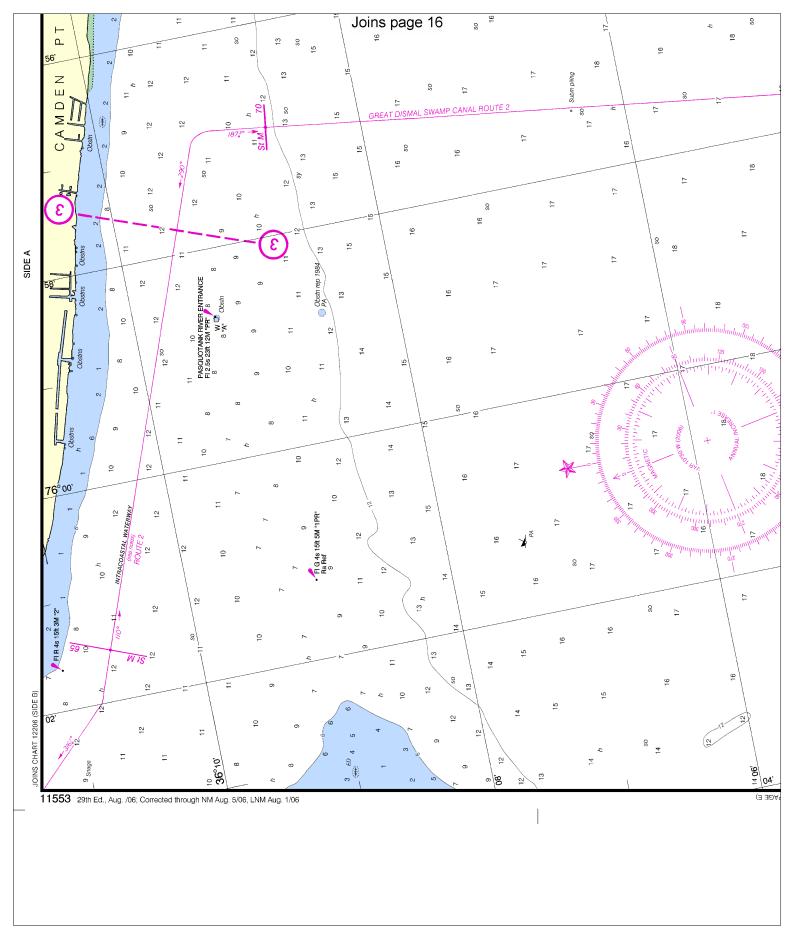


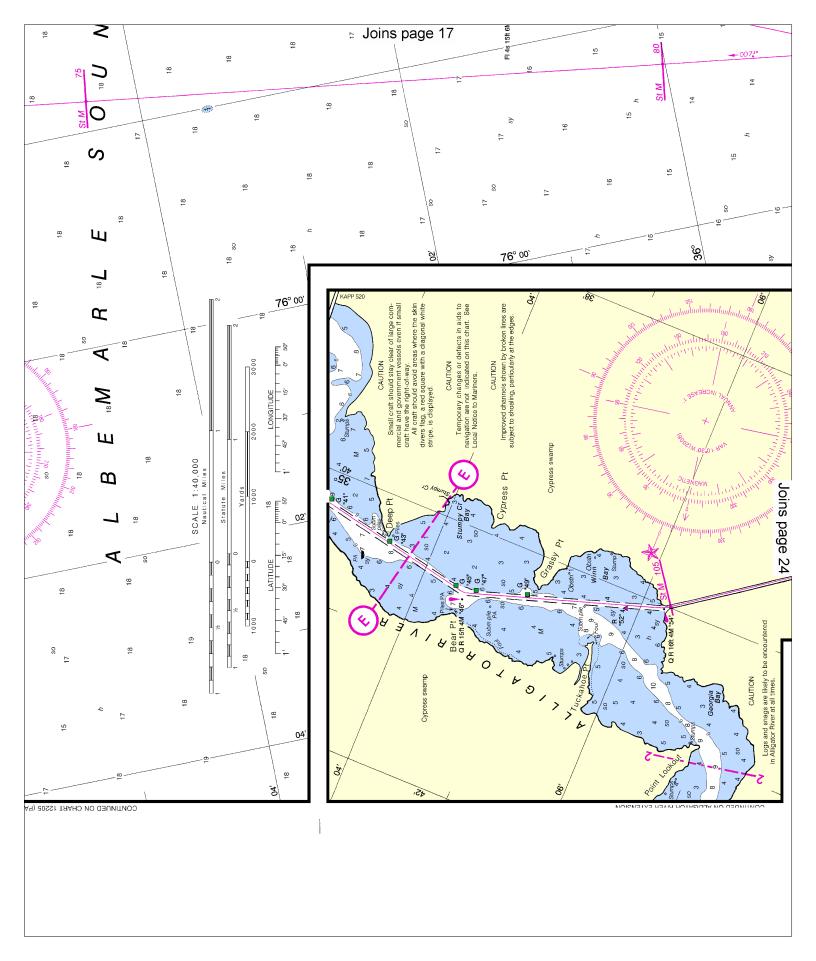


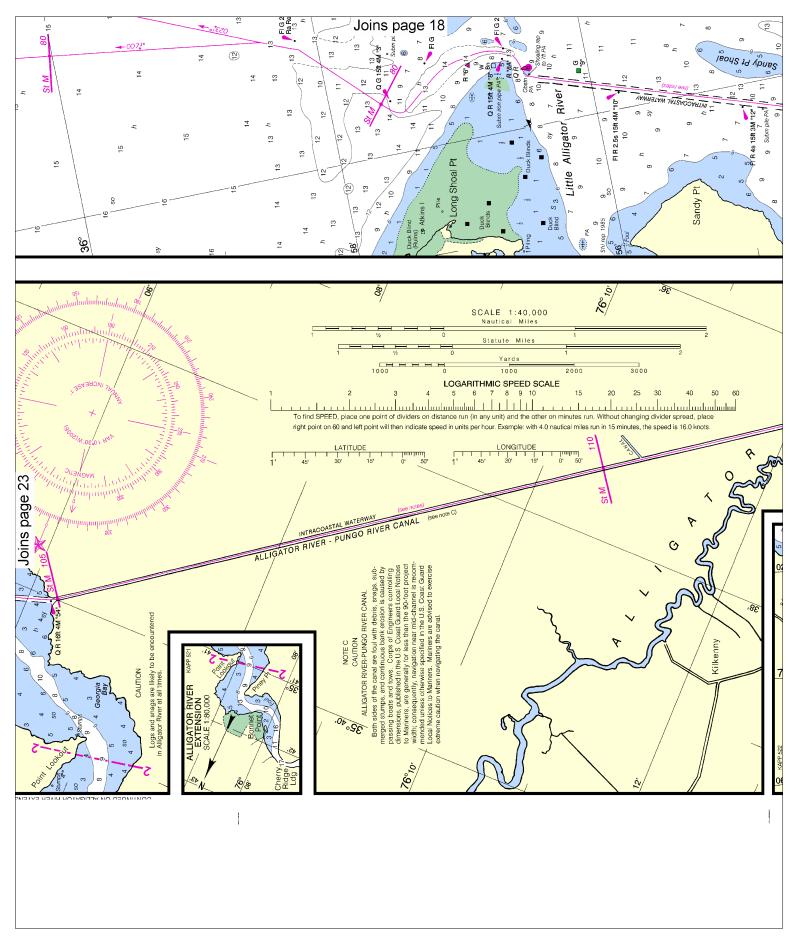






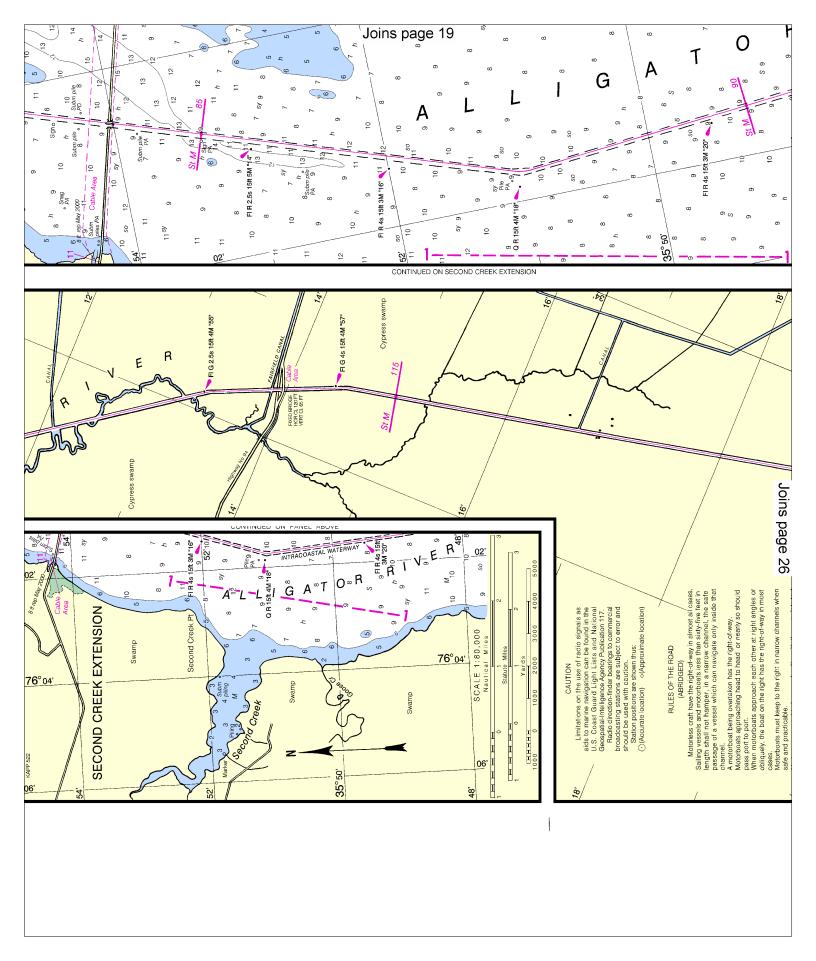


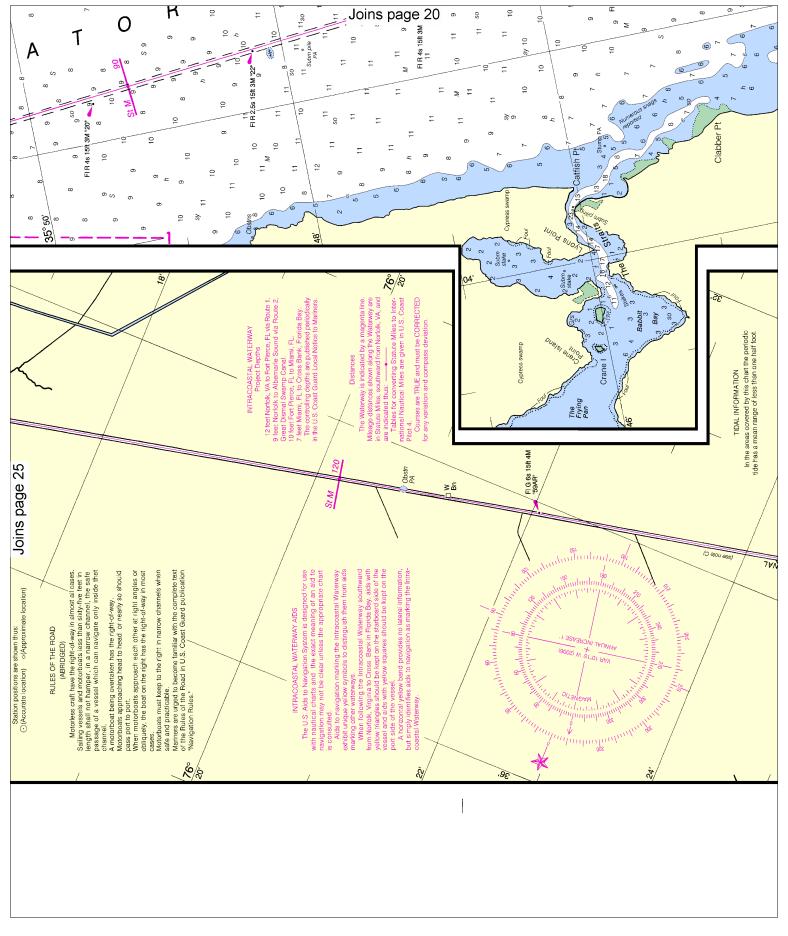


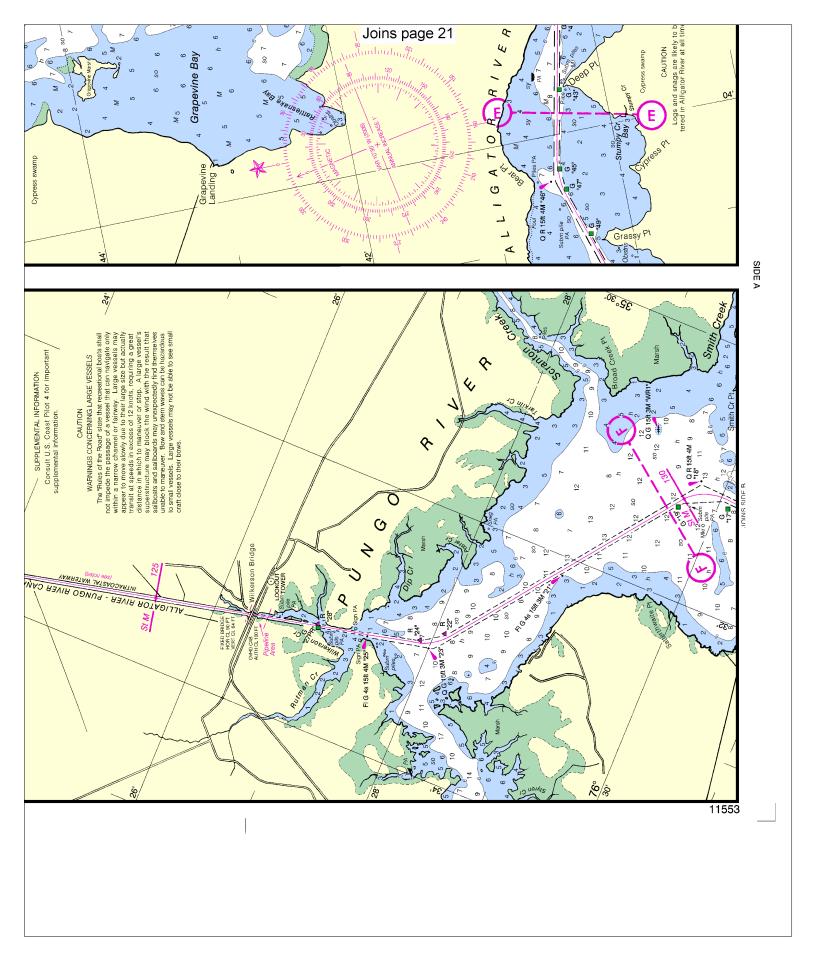


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VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other

vessels. Contact the other vessel, agree to another channel, and then switch.

Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here. Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Getting and Giving Help — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

Distress Call Procedures

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of

Emergency; Number of People on Board.

- · Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

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NOAA Weather Radio All Hazards (NWR) is a nationwide network of radio stations broadcasting continuous weather information directly from the nearest National Weather Service office. NWR broadcasts official Weather Service warnings, watches, forecasts and other hazard information 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

http://www.nws.noaa.gov/nwr/

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